



Utah Department of
Heritage & Arts

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Brad Westwood State
History

Banner Photo:

Utah has the second most
identified archaeological
sites in the nation;
pictured here is rock art
from Nine Mile Canyon

The past is truly prologue. Since 1897, the Utah State Historical Society and Division of State History have shared, protected, and assisted in Utah's economy and development.

In FY 2015, nearly 700,000 users accessed the Division's digital and in-person resources, including archaeological records, tax credits, National Register listings, cemetery dataset, library catalog, community heritage development tools, photographic collections, and historical resources.

The Division's State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) manages records for over 100,000 archaeological sites, the second most of any other state, and data for more than 120,000 structures. Last year, SHPO staff consulted on 1,856 cultural resource management cases, skillfully balancing our heritage resources with economic development

(natural gas pipelines, transmission lines, etc.), and formally interacted with 80 federal, state, and local agencies. SHPO staff scanned 43,230 archaeological site forms and digitized the location of 3,634 sites and 1,755 projects to expedite their use.

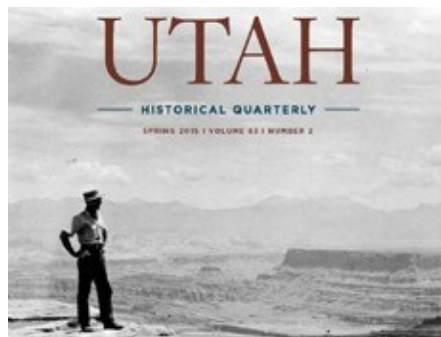
The Division's Certified Local Government (CLG) program is the second largest in the country, empowering over 90 communities to wisely maximize their local architectural and archaeological resources, and heritage tourism. In 2015, over \$150,000 was awarded to 18 towns and cities.

Staff completed an inventory and review of over 30,000 historic artifacts and provided direct research assistance to 8,000 patrons.

Besides publishing the *Utah Historical Quarterly*, the Utah State Historical Society continues to place history sources online, and attracted guests from all over the state to its 62nd annual Utah history conference ("Utah Technology through Time") and lecture series.



Over 50,000 certified burial records have been added to our free online public resource.



The state's premier history journal, the *Utah Historical Quarterly* has informed public policy since 1928 and recently added rich online materials.



The Utah Archaeology & Historic Preservation Month boasted 43 events in 19 counties across the state, enriching the understanding of archaeology for children and adults.

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS



State History signed four programmatic agreements that allow for effective power transmission maintenance, the facilitation of pass-through federal dollars to Utah's farmers and ranchers, and streamlining of small BLM projects. Other agreements under development will expedite the closure of abandoned mines and post-wildfire stabilization efforts for the health and safety of Utah's communities.

The State Tax Credit program ended calendar year 2014 with 83 development projects approved and the highest level of expenditures in the program's history – with \$25.6 million in costs – all folding into Utah's economy.

Since taking over the program in 2013, the Utah History Day student participation has increased nearly

36 percent, including a 30 percent increase between 2014-2015. Statewide 5,625 students participated, with 1,390 young scholars moving on to nine regional competitions, and 61 competing in the National History Day competition in Washington DC.

State History provided prompt and respectful ancient remains assistance, preparing 49 Individual cultural affiliation reports, interring 28 individuals, and training over 150 law enforcement professionals.

The division has developed new key performance indicators for each of our programs so that we can better evaluate the quality of our statutorily-mandated services to the public.

We are pointing the division towards a digital universe, adding tens of thousands of new digital assets every year. Offering more information digitally allows the public better access to reliable historical information.



\$718M

Heritage tourism in Utah draws in over \$718 million into the state each year.¹

UTAH
NATIONAL
HISTORY DAY

30%

5,625 Utah students participated in the Utah History Day program this past year. That's a 30% increase from the year before.²



525,500

There are 525,500 digital photographs and audio-visual files available online to the public as of FY 2015.³



Dr. Pamela S. Perlich, PhD., Director, Demographic Research, Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, The University of Utah

“For those of us who work on projecting the economic and demographic future of Utah, a clear understanding of our past is essential. Data on its own, while important, is not adequate. The work of the Division of State History is essential to provide that context, that complexity, that deep understanding that grounds our work and shapes our vision for the future.”



Utah Division of State History

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

Division of State History - FY 2013-2015 Actuals			
	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Revenue			
General Fund	\$ 2,249,800.00	\$ 2,175,500.00	\$ 2,091,000.00
Federal Funds	\$ 726,400.00	\$ 774,100.00	\$ 843,900.00
Dedicated Credits	\$ 54,000.00	\$ 50,200.00	\$ 29,800.00
Total	\$ 3,030,200.00	\$ 2,999,800.00	\$ 2,964,700.00
Expenditures			
Personnel	\$ 1,973,400.00	\$ 2,039,000.00	\$ 2,162,000.00
In-State Travel	\$ 5,800.00	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 10,900.00
Out-of-State Travel	\$ 17,400.00	\$ 10,500.00	\$ 21,700.00
Current Expense	\$ 498,800.00	\$ 623,000.00	\$ 599,400.00
Pass-Through	\$ 534,800.00	\$ 319,800.00	\$ 170,700.00
Total	\$ 3,030,200.00	\$ 2,999,800.00	\$ 2,964,700.00

ADMINISTRATION - UCA 9-8-201, 202, 203:

State History Administration provides the organizational infrastructure for State History and Utah State Historical Society programs and activities. Administration interfaces with federal, state, and local agencies, universities, schools, businesses and citizens to collect, preserve, document, and steward history, pre-history, history research, and historic preservation as integral parts of economic ecosystems. Annually, State History provides customer access to the library catalogue, historic photograph and artifact collection, cemetery burial database, archaeological resource services, National Register listings, tax credit program, community heritage development tools, and on-line history publications. In 2015, 5,625 Utah students participated in the Utah History Day program, and 61 students went on to compete in the National History Day Program.

BUDGET OVERVIEW 2013-2015

		History Administration		
<i>Revenue</i>		FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
General Fund		\$ 233,600.00	\$ 235,900.00	\$ 254,900.00
Total		\$ 233,600.00	\$ 235,900.00	\$ 254,900.00
<i>Expenditures</i>				
Personnel		\$ 164,300.00	\$ 172,400.00	\$ 200,000.00
In-State Travel		\$ 1,900.00	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 3,000.00
Out-of-State Travel		\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 1,800.00
Current Expense		\$ 67,200.00	\$ 60,400.00	\$ 50,100.00
Total		\$ 233,600.00	\$ 235,900.00	\$ 254,900.00

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